PATENT

Docket No.: 067161-0117

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In re Application of

Customer Number: 20277

Shinji TANAKA

Confirmation Number: 8196

Application No.: 10/682,153

Group Art Unit: 2824

Filed: October 10, 2003

Examiner: Hien N. Nguyen

For: SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE INPUTTING/OUTPUTTING DATA AND

PARITY DATA IN BURST OPERATION

STATUS INQUIRY

Mail Stop Status Inquiry Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on October 10, 2003. Since more than one and onehalf years have elapsed since that date, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed in the above-assigned Group Art Unit on or before November 5, 2003 should have received an action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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